

REMARKS

The attached Examiner Interview Summary Record is hereby incorporated by reference into the present amendment in its entirety. Claims 82-87 are currently pending in the present application. Claim 82 has been amended to correct a typographical error and make the language of the claim consistent with the other claims. Claim 86 has been amended for the reasons discussed below.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 103

Claims 82-86 were previously allowed. After a clarification of the status of claim 87 (commented on more fully below), claim 87 was also allowed. After a review of the application and Applicants' related applications, a new rejection was entered in view of the combination of Bartels in view of Bell, and further in view of Ott. The Examiner requested Applicants to present arguments explaining how the pending claims overcome the newly cited references.

These arguments were made during a telephone interview with Examiner Mendez on July 15, 2008. As stated in the Examiner Interview Summary Record attached hereto, with the amendment to claim 86, the Examiner found that all pending claims overcame the art of record. Therefore, the allowance of claims 82-87 is courteously requested.

Ex Parte Quayle Action of August 24, 2007

Examiner Mendez, in the aforementioned interview, asked the undersigned Attorney of Record to review the Ex Parte Quayle Action of August 24, 2007 to make sure everything was in order so an interference could be declared. The undersigned has reviewed the action and has found the following.

Status of Claim 87

The status of Claim 87 was fully clarified in the amendment dated October 23, 2007. To summarize, Claim 87 was properly presented in the amendment of February 9, 2005. It was inadvertently omitted in the later amendments dated October 26, 2005 and May 17, 2006, and was never cancelled. Therefore, it is maintained that Claim 87 is still pending, and should be treated as such.

Suggestion of Interference

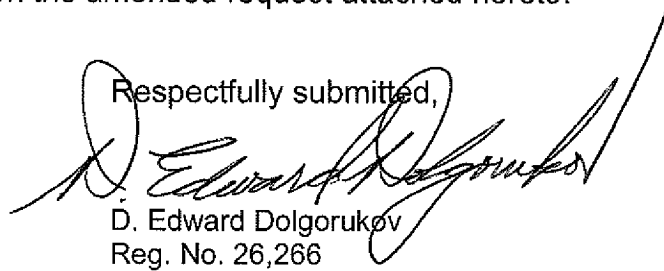
Because of the amendment of claim 86 in view of the newly cited references, the Interference suggested in the Amendment of October 23, 2007 is no longer entirely accurate. Applicants attach hereto an amended suggested interference, with the amendments to claim 86 entered therein.

CONCLUSION

Applicants now believe the present application is in condition for Allowance.

Applicants now request allowance of all pending claims, and respectfully request that Interference be declared based on the amended request attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Edward Dolgorukov", is written over the typed name and registration number.

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